

DELCASSE RESIGNED THEN RECONSIDERED

Quit French Cabinet Very Suddenly Yesterday.

Other Members Met and Insisted That He Remain—Today He Decided to Do So.

MOROCCO QUESTION CAUSED IT.

Paris, April 22.—Minister of the Interior Etienne stated today that Foreign Minister Delcasse had withdrawn his resignation. After a notable service of nearly eight years in the direction of foreign affairs Theophile Delcasse yesterday informed the president of the council, Rouvier of his desire and intention to resign. This announcement came as a surprise and shock to Delcasse's colleagues of the cabinet, who immediately took steps to endeavor to secure a reconsideration of the determination. A cabinet council was held.

It was the unanimous determination of the council that the interest of the country at this particular time required that Delcasse retain the portfolio of foreign affairs. Accordingly, at the conclusion of the council Rouvier held an extended conference with Delcasse, and earnestly besought him to retain his place in the cabinet.

The motive leading to Delcasse's sudden determination to retire from the cabinet was attributed to internal controversies over the Moroccan question; and this to some extent, has been accentuated by similar controversies over French neutrality in the far east.

DECREASE LIKELY

IN THE SCHOOL CENSUS THIS YEAR.

Three Wards Completed, Showing a Decrease of 145 Compared With Last Year.

Dr. W. H. Pitcher, secretary of the school board, stated this afternoon that the census in the first, second and third wards had been turned in by the school census enumerators and a shortage is found in the first and second wards as compared to last year, amounting to one hundred and forty-five pupils.

ALL LETTER BOXES

Are to Be Painted Green by Uncle Sam.

Washington, April 22.—The post-office department has decided to apply a streak of green across the whole United States in all directions. All of the letter boxes are to be painted green, and the lettering upon them is to be white. This has been determined upon by a commission appointed for the purpose of deciding upon the best and most durable color with which to paint the mail boxes. It will apply to all city letter boxes, and to collection boxes furnished by the government on rural routes. Jno. D. Sullivan of St. Louis was a member of the committee. The iron posts to which the boxes are attached in cities will also receive a coat of the paint. The government will furnish the paint, and in a city or town where the boxes need painting, the postmaster will be asked to secure bids for the labor of applying it.

Bids will be opened on May 25 at the office of the purchasing agent of the department for furnishing letter boxes, letter-box fasteners and posts.

Picture of Mr. Decker. The Bulletin, published at Nashville, Tenn., in the interest of the Hoo Hoos, has a long account of the recent concatenation in Paducah, and says it was the best ever held in Paducah, which is saying a great deal. It also has a good picture of Col. A. J. Decker, one of the leading local Hoo Hoos.

BOWLING GREEN FAILURE.

P. J. Potters Sons' Bank Files Deed of Assignment.

Bowling Green, Ky., April 22.—The private banking house of P. J. Potters Sons, the oldest and regarded as one of the strongest banking institutions in Southern Kentucky, filed a deed of assignment today. Col. E. L. Mottley, one of the wealthiest men in the city, was named as assignee and accepted the trust. Capital stock of the bank was \$75,000 and had deposits of about \$700,000. It is believed the bank will pay dollar for dollar.

35,000 TEAMSTERS.

May Go On a Strike, It Is Said, in Chicago.

Chicago, April 22.—The Teamsters' unions have informed all business houses which have been delivering goods to Ward & Co., that they must stop, or a general strike of all union teamsters in Chicago will be called. It is expected the demands of unions will be without exception refused by employers.

Sentiment among the 35,000 teamsters who form the unions is said to be overwhelmingly in favor of a strike.

REGISTER WON

IN THE DAMAGE SUIT CASE TRIED AT SMITHLAND.

Verdict Brought in About 11:30 O'clock This Morning to This Effect.

The jury in the damage suit of Sam Stone against the Register Publishing company, of Paducah, at Smithland, Ky., this morning brought in a verdict for the defendant, having had the case from yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock until 11:30 a. m. today. It is understood the jury stood three for giving damages and nine for the newspaper.

The suit against the Register was filed several weeks ago at Smithland through Attorney J. M. Worten, of Paducah, for \$10,000 damages for alleged libel. Stone claimed that a publication following his arrest in Paducah to be taken to Marion, Ky., was libelous.

It was alleged by the defendant that the portion of the publication alleged to have libelled the plaintiff, referred to another person. Attorneys Hendrick & Miller were counsel for the defense.

KILLED HUSBAND

And Then Went Off Into the Woods and Hanged Herself.

Ft. Worth, April 22.—Mrs. Henry Boyle killed her husband at Lindale yesterday and then suicided. She shot her husband breaking his neck and then went to the woods and hanged herself. Domestic trouble was the cause.

Mistake Costs \$6,500.

Louisville, Ky., April 22.—Because it failed to destroy city bonds which it had acquired in 1899 Louisville will have to pay the state \$6,500 in back taxes on bonds which aggregate \$108,000 in value. These bonds were bought and paid for from the sinking fund and should have been destroyed when received, as they were issued for indebtedness of the city, but as it failed to do so, and as they were not held for public purposes, County Judge Gregory says they must pay state tax.

Fingers Cut Badly.

Tom Horace, an employee of the Riggsberger mills on South Third street, got his right hand caught in a saw this morning and the last three fingers badly cut. The injury was dressed by Drs. Troutman and Sears.

TODAY'S MARKETS

Wheat—	Open.	Close.
May,	1.09	1.00
July, .....	.87	.86
Corn—		
May, .....	.47	.47
July, .....	.47	.47
Oats—		
May, .....	.29	.29
July, .....	.29	.29
Pork—		
May,	12.45	12.43
July,	12.75	12.73

RUSSIANS FORCED TO LEAVE KAMRANH

Reported the Ships Have Started for Vladivostok.

Charges of Breaches of Neutrality Will Be Investigated Thoroughly.

ANOTHER SQUADRON EXPECTED.

London, April 22.—A dispatch to the Central News from Paris says it is announced that Rojstevsky left Kamranh Bay today for the island of Hainan, where his vessels will coal. Hainan is a large island almost directly north of Kamranh, in a bay located in the Gulf of Tonquin, and belongs to China.

Another Fleet Due.

Saigon, April 22.—It is reported that Admiral Nebogoff's fleet of seven battleships and cruisers is expected to arrive here today.

Warned to Be Careful.

Paris, April 22.—It is stated in parliamentary circles that Russia has informed France that she has sent Rojstevsky minute instructions in respect to rules of neutrality and to carefully avoid doing anything that would give Japan the slightest pretext for picking a quarrel with Russia's ally.

Japan to Build Railroad.

Tokio, April 22.—Japan intends spending millions for rolling stock and equipment of a new railroad to Korea. The money will be spent in the United States, and England.

The Czar Takes a Hand.

London, April 22.—A telegram from St. Petersburg says that it is announced from semi-official circles that the czar has ordered Rojstevsky to leave Kamranh Bay.

Warships Were Seen.

Tokio, April 22.—The ministry of marine announces that trustworthy eye-witnesses report seeing four Russian cruisers outside Kamranh harbor and seven battleships inside the harbor. Six other warships were noticed in single formation outside the southern entrance to the bay.

SEIZED FENCE

And Arthur Childress' Hands Were Badly Torn by Barbed Wires.

Mr. Arthur Childress, a farmer of the Husbands road, was injured this morning in a peculiar way while driving to town.

A new barbed wire fence had been built along a lane, and while riding over a hill, the wagon was turned partially over and Childress thrown out. His right leg caught in the spokes and in attempting to grab the fence and prevent serious injury, Childress grasped the wire. The team kept moving and his right hand was badly torn and lacerated by the sharp pieces of wires. He came to town and had the injury dressed.

Arrested Twice.

James Hull, white, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Constable A. C. Shelton on the charge of slapping R. L. Mann. He confessed and was fined \$2 and costs, but went back and abused Mann again. It is alleged, and was arrested the second time. He will be tried by Justice Jesse Young again this afternoon for the latter charge.

Many Being Refunded Taxes.

Today many county tax payers are coming in to secure receipts and the return of money paid the sheriff in excess of the legal amount. The work was started Thursday but not until today did the rush begin. Justice R. J. Barber is paying it back and has the assistance of several deputies.

Some Say Frost.

A number of gardeners who came in this morning claim there was a light frost in low places this morning, but very little if any, and no damage was done by it.

Vesuvius in Eruption.

Naples, April 22.—Mount Vesuvius is in eruption and tourists are flocking to the place to witness the phenomenon.

PANIC TODAY ON THE WHEAT MARKET.

Chicago, April 22.—The wheat market went to smash this morning, amid a panic on the board of trade.

May option scored a loss of six points within a few minutes, creating a veritable riot among the traders who were relying on Armour to hold up the market. May opened at a dollar and nine, and dropped to a dollar and three. Wild scenes were witnessed following the scramble of the longs to unload.

The lowest price reached by May wheat was 98 1-2 and it closed at a dollar. That a million bushels bought for May delivery were thrown on the market was evident from the opening of business. Gates' brokers had withdrawn their support to May wheat. At the same time Armour and Valentine brokers were buying July option.

Old members of the board declare that they never before witnessed such scenes and excitement as the panic in the pit.

MANAGER ENGLISH GIVES UP THEATER

Disposes of Remainder of His Lease to Hotel Company.

Received a Money Consideration, and Turns It Over to the Company On May 1st.

HOTEL COMPANY TO MANAGE IT.

Manager James E. English, for the past four years manager of the Kentucky theatre, this afternoon disposed of his lease to the Palmer Hotel company, owners of the theatre, for a snug consideration, and will turn it over to the hotel company May 1st. He had another year yet as lessee.

The deal had been on for several days and was consummated this afternoon, both sides dissolving business relations with the best of feeling and good wishes. It is said that since the handsome new theatre was opened four years ago, both Manager English and the owners have made money, and both are satisfied. They have given Paducah a first-class theatre and good attractions, and the hotel company will likewise do so. Manager English retains control during the coming week, which closes the season, and May 1st, will deliver the keys to the hotel company.

The theater will then probably remain closed until fall, and will be under the control and management of the hotel company.

It is likely it will not again be leased, but will be managed by some one for the hotel company.

Col. English states that he will remain in Paducah and go into some other business, but he has not yet decided what it will be.

NOTED FILIPINO FEMALE BANDIT DEAD AT LAST.

Washington, April 22.—Apollonia Caire, the notorious female bandit of Batangas province, Philippines, was killed by a constabulary, according to information received here.

She was for many years distinguished by her cruelty and ferocity.

When the detachment of constabulary scouts surprised her in the mountains she refused to surrender and was shot.

She was dressed as a man and held the rank of lieutenant under Devesga, the outlaw chief.

Died of Injuries.

Louisville, Ky., April 22.—S. B. Erwin, an advertising agent, who was run down by a car Monday, died of his injuries. The wheels did not touch Erwin but he was caught under the frame of the car in such a way that he could not be taken out for an hour.

Cleanliness is said to be next to godliness yet one seldom sees a laundry next door to a church.

CRUISER HURRIED TO SAN DOMINGO

Tacoma Sent There to Protect Uncle Sam's Interests.

Mandate Issued Today to Take Beavers to Washington for Trial—Ohio Thieves Get \$1,000.

AN EXPLOSION KILLS FOUR

Pensacola, Fla., April 22.—Rush orders for the Cruiser Tacoma to proceed to San Domingo were received late yesterday afternoon. That vessel began to coal, immediately moving down to the naval yard, where fuel and stores were taken on board, and got away from port before daylight.

It is stated here that a number of warships have been ordered to San Domingo by the Italian government, and as trouble is anticipated, the Tacoma is ordered there to protect American interests.

Beavers to Be Tried.

Washington, April 22.—A mandate was issued today from the supreme court to the United States circuit court of New York for the removal of George W. Beavers, late superintendent of salaries and allowances of the postoffice department, to Washington for trial.

Thieves Get \$1,000.

Dayton, O., April 22.—Burglars last night entered the office of the Cincinnati, Dayton and Toledo Traction company here and secured about a thousand dollars. The safe was either left open or the combination worked and a large sum of money was overlooked.

Killed Four Men.

Braddock, Pa., April 22.—An explosion at the Edgar Thompson Blast furnace this afternoon killed four men and fatally injured three.

Joe Jefferson Unchanged.

West Palm Beach, Fla., April 22.—Joseph Jefferson spent a restful night and his condition is little changed.

IN THE COURTS

THE SQUABBLE IN THE EQUITABLE MUST GO.

This is the Opinion of Governor Higgins, of New York, Who Was Appealed to.

Albany, N. Y., April 22.—The crisis in affairs of Equitable Life Assurance society was laid before Governor Higgins at executive chamber yesterday afternoon by a committee of 35 of the managing agents of the society, which earlier in the day at Syracuse had made the same appeal for mutualization of the society to Supt. Hendricks, of the state insurance department.

Governor Higgins said he would be glad to do anything within reason that he could do to bring about mutualization but called attention to the fact that "difficulties that arise between citizens in the state of New York cannot be settled by the governor nor by the legislature," and advised them that "those questions of difference have to be settled in this state by the courts."

EASTER FLOWERS.

Indications Are That There Will Be Many Seen Tomorrow.

Easter flowers have been selling rapidly, this week, and most of the florists have been about cleaned out. The prices are cheaper this year than last, being: Carnations, 75 cents a dozen, roses \$1.50 a dozen, and American Beauties \$4 to \$8 a dozen. Last year prices were higher the best Beauties costing \$12 a dozen.

Will Go to Mayfield.

Mrs. Parr, widow of the man who was murdered at the Kentucky House at Cairo, a few days ago, has gone to Mayfield, Ky. She was assisted by the Bartenders' union, who paid the freight on her household goods.

WEEK'S NEWS IN THE COMMERCIAL WORLD.

Clearings for the week, ... \$644,096 Same week last year, ... 548,936 Increase, ... 95,160

Business at the banks the past week has been very active, clearings showing a good increase over the same week a year ago.

The reports from wholesalers are very satisfactory.

The Easter trade of Paducah retailers has been the best they have ever had, some merchants reporting an increase as high as forty per cent. over a year ago. All report good increases. This has been done, too, in spite of very unseasonable weather.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s review of the country reports great expansion in iron, steel and textile and leather, with railroad earnings showing an increase of 10 per cent. over a year ago.

Articles of incorporation of the Thompson Transfer Co. have been filed in county court here.

The purposes of the corporation are to carry on a general transfer business of hauling freight, baggage, in fact a general wagon transportation business.

The capital stock is fixed at \$5,000 divided into 50 shares of \$100 each. The following are the incorporators and the amount of stock held by each: A. S. Thompson, 17 1/2; W. B. Kennedy, 17 1/2; Wm. Bornemann, George C. Wallace and S. T. Hubbard, 5 shares each.

The Smith Pharmacy has moved back into its stand at Fourth and Broadway, after being across the street for several days while a tile floor and new decorations were put in. It is to be one of the most up-to-date drug stores in the state when complete, which will be in a few days.

LIVELY CHASE

CITY PHYSICIAN'S SMALLPOX PATIENT ABOUT TO GET AWAY.

She Was Pursued About a Block, Caught, and Taken to the Pest House.

City Physician Johnston Bass created some little excitement on Broadway this forenoon by chasing a colored smallpox patient who had come to his office for treatment.

The woman's name is Essie Richardson and she cooks for a well-known family. She made her appearance at the office of Dr. Bass this morning, and poking her head in the door asked if he was in.

Dr. Bass saw at a glance she was suffering from smallpox and instructed her to remain outside. He went back to telephone for the pest house wagon, but saw her running and gave chase.

The woman went from Broadway down South Fifth street turning out at Kentucky avenue, but the city physician caught her near Sixth on Kentucky avenue, brought her back to his office and kept her there until the wagon came and conveyed her to the pest house.

Taken to Tennessee.

Joe Miller, colored, was arrested last night about 8 o'clock at 520 South Seventh street and at 5:30 o'clock taken to Trenton, Tenn., to appear as a witness in a house-breaking case.

The arrest was made by Detectives Moore and Baker and they had been after the negro for some time, finally locating him last night. After the catch the negro was taken to Tennessee by Detective Moore, who will return tonight.

Can't Put Up the Pole.

Mr. W. N. Warren, of the firm of Warren & Warren, jewelers, stated this afternoon that City Solicitor Ed. Puryear has delivered a verbal opinion in regard to putting up a sign pole in front of his place of business near Fifth and Broadway. The council ordered the matter investigated by the city solicitor. The city solicitor warned the firm against putting up the pole.

Strike is Over.

Limoges, France, April 22.—The strike of porcelain workers which caused considerable rioting, has ended, and work will be resumed in the factories Monday.

SENATOR O. H. PLATT DIES SUDDENLY

Had Been Critically Ill But End Was Unexpected.

Was a Prominent Public Man and Author of Famous Platt Amendment to Cuban Constitution.

THE FUNERAL NEXT TUESDAY

Washington, Conn., April 22.—United States Senator Orville Hitchcock Platt, of Connecticut, died at 8:53 last night from pneumonia. The end came unexpectedly, the immediate cause being breaking of the abscess which had formed in the right lung and which produced strangulation.

Only a few minutes before the family physician had prepared a bulletin from the sick room to the effect that if the patient did not have another sinking spell, such as had come to him during the forenoon, he would probably live through the night. When the physician left the sick chamber the senator was perfectly conscious, appeared to have no pain and had answered questions put to him by those at the bedside, showing that his mind was clear.

A Loss to the Country.

Washington, April 22.—The death of Senator Platt is a distinct loss to the senate and country at large. During his service of twenty-six years the senator has taken an active part in the proceedings of the senate.

He was chairman of the judiciary committee and in addition a member of committees on Cuban Relations finance and revolutionary claims. He took a leading part in arranging our relations to Cuba. Senator Platt frequently was called to the chair to preside temporarily over sessions of the senate and during the Swayne impeachment trial at the last session sat throughout the trial as the presiding officer or judge of the court.

The funeral will be held next Tuesday. Senator Platt's last public utterance was at the state capital March 21 when before the general assembly he delivered a eulogy over the late General Hawley.

Senator Platt was first elected to the senate in 1879 to succeed W. H. Barnum, Democrat. His last election was in 1903.

Platt was born here July 19, 1827. He was author of the famous Platt amendment to the Cuban constitution.

TO DON STRIPES

PRISONERS CONVICTED AT LAST TERM OF COURT LEAVE.

Numbered Sixteen, and All Colored Except Two—Women to Go Soon.

Sheriff Lee Potter and deputies at noon took away the prisoners convicted at the last term of circuit court to Eddyville.

His deputies are Will Lydon, Dick Hays, C. C. Warfield and Wm. Simpson. The prisoners, numbering 16, are Henry Dixon, robbery, two years; Jim Winfield, malicious cutting, four years; Will Dixon, manslaughter, 7 years; Richard Carruthers, forgery, two years; Harry Hodge, obtaining property by false pretenses, one year, Joe Cannon, malicious cutting, one and a half years; Leonard Shelby, malicious cutting, one year; Kid Willis, false swearing, one year; Wilson Dunlap, chicken stealing, one year; Harry Hannon, chicken stealing, one year; Robert McGee, obtaining money by false pretenses, one year; Will King, false swearing, two years; George Goodman, malicious cutting, one year; George Mullen, malicious cutting, one year; Lee Wolferton, grand larceny, two years, and Jack Vaughan, housebreaking, one year. All are colored except the latter two. The women convicted will be taken to Frankfort next week sometime.

There are times when it is safest to laugh in one's sleeve.